



Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) Data and Evaluation Subcommittee Public Meeting Thursday, January 16, 2025 Starts at 1:00 PM

“Nevada’s children will be safe, healthy, and thriving during the first eight years of life, and the system will support children and families in achieving their full potential.”

Meeting Location: This meeting held virtually via Zoom. Click [HERE](#) to join:

Meeting ID: 817 8418 5996, **Passcode:** 841445

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Amanda Hsboush-Deloye called meeting to order at 1:03pm
- Brandi Hearst conducted roll call

Members Present (6)

- Ana Binder- Parent Representative
- Ashley Dines, Parent Leadership Coordinator, The Children's Cabinet
- Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Co-Chair
- Matthew Hoffman, Data Analystist, Nevada Dept Education
- Donya Segoviano, Business Process Analyst III, Division of Welfare & Supportive Service
- Matthew Silver, Data Analysts 2, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education

Members Absent (2):

- Marty Elquist, Co-Chair
- Latisha Brown, Childcare Licensing, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

Public Present (11):

- Nayesdi Badillo, Family Engagement Specialist, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education
- Brandi Hearst, Early Childhood Advisory Council Administrative Coordinator, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education
- Sabrina Jones, Early Childhood Advisory Council Systems Specialist, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education
- Jamie Mendez, Early Childhood Workforce Specialist, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education
- Jamelle Nance, Communications and Engagement Co-Chair
- Smriti Neupane, Nevada Institute for Childhood Research and Policy
- Tiffany Olivas, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) Manager 2, The Children’s Cabinet
- Dana Preece, PDG B-5 Birth – 3rd Grade Specialist, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada' Department of Education
- Rachel Stepina, Grant Manager Preschool and Development Grant Birth – 5, Office of Early Learning and Development, Nevada Department of Education
- Denise Tanata, Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Advisor, The Children's Cabinet





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- Dr. Stephanie Vega, Washoe County School District

1. **Public Comment #1**

Public Comment taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on the agenda as an item on which action may be taken. The Co- Chairs may impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction, control, or advisory power.

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- No Comment

2. **Approval of Flexible Agenda** (*Discussion for Possible Action*)

The Subcommittee approved a flexible agenda. The Subcommittee may take agenda items out of order; combine two or more agenda items for consideration; remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on ECAC Data and Evaluation Subcommittee Meeting Agenda at any time.

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Ashley Dines motioned to approve flexible agenda
- Matthew Hoffman seconds the motion
- Members voted, motion passes

3. **Review and Approve Minutes from December 19, 2024** (*Discussion, For Possible Action*)

The Subcommittee approved the December 19, 2024, minutes.

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Ana Binder motioned to approve December 19, 2024 minutes
- Donya Segoviano seconds the motion
- Members voted, motion passes

4. **Best Practices Statement and Website Feedback** (*Discussion, Informational*)

Subcommittee decided to review verbiage for Best Practices Statement

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Matthew Silver, Management Analyst 2, Nevada Department of Education

Matthew Hoffman, Education Programs Professional, NDE

- Matthew Hoffman shared the Data Best Practices document that he and Matthew Silver created utilizing the information from this Subcommittee and families who were involved in NDE's family engagement survey. The document included best practices and ethical considerations of data collection and the use of data. The Committee was given a month to review in hopes of voting in February.

5. **Key Talking Points** (*Discussion, For Possible Action*)

This Subcommittee discussed Key Talking Points

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Amanda Haboush-Deloye shared the Data Subcommittee Key Messages of the purpose of this subcommittee that Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye drafted utilizing information from members past discussions on this topic.
- Ana Binder asked questions about the budgets and how that works for those who are or are not members





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- Denise Tanata explained the importance of outlining the actual key data points that we could not locate and explained the importance of having the Office of Early Childhood under the Governor for budgeting purposes
- Ana Binder brought up and managing integration across the systems.
- After some legislative discussion, Ana Binder asked if we are federally funded. Amanda Haboush-Deloye, with the agreement of Denise Tanta, that the Nevada ECAC is a part of the Head Start requirements for Head Start to get funding in Nevada
- Amanda Haboush-Deloye finished explaining the Data Subcommittee Key Messages, members had no questions or comments.

6. **Data Dictionary Gap Updates** (*Discussion, Informational*)

The Subcommittee was presented with updates that the Data Dictionary Summary of Results publicly.

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Smriti Neupane let everyone know she is taking a break with this Dictionary
- Matthew Hoffman shared that he sharing the data publicly in hopes of educating others

7. **Update the Playbook** (*Discussion, Informational*)

The Subcommittee tabled updating and reviewing the Playbook.

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Tabled to February

8. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting on 2/20/25** (*Discussion, Informational*)

The Subcommittee discussed items to be added to the agenda for the meeting on 2.20.2025.

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Agenda Item #5 move to possible Action
- Vote on Data Best Practices for Possible Action
- Data Dictionary move to action item
- Data Vendor presentation- Matthew Hoffman and/or Matthew Silver to email Brandi Hearst title and verbiage for this agenda item
- Add Possible Action for June date to vote on skipping June or meeting the next week

9. **Upcoming ECAC Meetings and June Meeting Date** (*Discussion, Informational*)

The Subcommittee tabled discussion for new date for June meeting due to holiday.

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- Amanda Haboush-Deloye let members know of Juneteenth holiday landing on our meeting date, Members decided to think about either skipping June or meeting the week after.
- This Item will be tabled for more discussion in February to make sure Marty Elquist has a say in this decision as well.
 - Systems Alignment Subcommittee: 1.22.25 1:00pm
 - Executive Leadership Subcommittee: 2.04.25, 11:00am
 - Policy and Finance Subcommittee: 2.13.25, 1:00pm
 - Data and Evaluation Subcommittee: 2.20.25 1:00pm
 - Systems Alignment Subcommittee: 2.26.25 1:00pm





10. Public Comment #2

Public comment made during this agenda item on any matter within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction, control, or advisory power. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on the agenda as an item on which action may be taken. The Subcommittee Chair will impose a time limit of three minutes. Help getting information out

- Amanda Haboush-Deloye announced March 10 is Children's Week and NICRP providing a bus from Las Vegas to Carson City and asked for Members to help spread the word to families who are interested, and that they can find funding to help those families
- Jamelle Nance shared a link and explained that the Children's Advocacy Alliance has made the link available to track the bills that they are following this session.

11. Adjournment

Marty Elquist and Amanda Haboush-Deloye, Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Amanda Haboush-Deloye adjourned meeting at 1:53pm
- **One Sentence Summary:** This Subcommittee determined that they need to review the Best Practice statement to be able to vote on approving or making edits first, then reviewed Key Talking Points from Amanda Haboush-Deloye and Marty Elquist for proper verbiage to be used in legislation and decided to hold June meeting date discussion to February with Marty Elquist being absent today.
- **3 Action Items:**
 - Members to review calendars and schedules to decide on June reschedule or June cancellation of meeting
 - Members to review NDE Data Best Practices statement to be made public online after approval
 - Matthew Hoffman and/or Matthew Silver to email Brandi Hearst title and verbiage for the NDE data vendor agenda item